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In re Patent Application of: Giovanni BENINI et al.

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For: CHARGE METERING SYSTEM AND

METHOD FOR DATA TRANSMISSION, ASSOCIATED UNITS, PROGRAM AND

**ELECTRONIC CREDIT** 

Examiner: B. W. Taylor

## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated December 27, 2004, for which a response was due on March 27, 2005. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a two-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to May 27, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.